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**June, 2016**  
**24 Iyar – 24 Sivan 5776**

### Service Schedule

Egalitarian Friday Night Services begin at 8:00 p.m., followed by an Oneg.

Traditional Saturday morning services begin at 10:00 a.m. and are followed by a Kiddush.

### Candle Lighting Times:

June 3, 8:56 p.m.  
June 10, 9:00 p.m.  
June 17, 9:03 p.m.  
June 24, 9:04 p.m.

### Dates for your Calendar:



June 4, Aaron Slamovich Bar Mitzvah

June 11, 10:09 p.m. – June 13, 10:10 p.m., Shavuot

Suggestions and information for this Bulletin are always welcome. Please contact me at [bridgejudy@aol.com](mailto:bridgejudy@aol.com). Deadlines are usually 7 days before the end of the month.

Judy Weitzman, Editor

*Yahrzeits*  
*May their memories be for a blessing.*

Paul McMurray – 24 Iyar, June 1  
Jacob Feinstein – 26 Iyar, June 3  
Ab. Winski - Sivan  
Harris Levine – Sivan  
Kevin Gartenhaus – 1 Sivan, June 7  
Samuel Goodman – 4 Sivan, June 10  
Max Litman – 4 Sivan, June 10  
Jacob A. Spector – 5 Sivan, June 11  
Mose Berger – 6 Sivan, June 12  
Freida Salzman – 7 Sivan, June 13  
Leo Goldstine – 7 Sivan, June 13  
Louise Klatch – 8 Sivan, June 14  
Samuel Bass – 10 Sivan, June 16  
Louis J. Roger – 10 Sivan, June 16  
Maynard Altman – 10 Sivan, June 16  
Eda Zovod – 11 Sivan, June 17  
Bessie Singer, 13 Sivan, June 19  
Rosa Lee Zovod, 13 Sivan, June 19  
Esther Tzucker – 15 Sivan, June 21  
Lucille Elkin – 16 Sivan, June 22  
Jacob Brodsky – 21 Sivan, June 27  
Moshe Barash – 21 Sivan, June 27  
Ree Brown – 24 Sivan, June 30

### Refuah Schlemah

May the One who was a source of blessing for our ancestors bring blessings of healing upon Alan Garfinkel, Sol Gartenhaus, Cyrelle Simon, Florence Weingram and Leo Weitzman.

And may G-d hear our prayers and grant a speedy recovery to all who are ill.



To have a Happy Day card or a Memorial card sent in your name, please contact Esther Chosnek by e-mail at [erc@wolfelt.com](mailto:erc@wolfelt.com). She will promptly send your card for a minimum donation of only \$5.00. You need only contact Esther, then send your check, made payable to Sisterhood Sons of Abraham to Sisterhood Treasurer, Sonya Garfinkel, 2229 Carberry Dr., West Lafayette, IN 47906.

## The Jewish Connection

The Jewish Connection is a community-wide book discussion group that meets monthly.



The June meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, June 15 at 2:30 p.m. at the home of Kathy Busch, 4121 Black Forest Lane..

The book for June is The Ladies Auxiliary, by Tova Mirvis. Publishers Weekly describes this novel as follows: “The world of this confident, insightful debut novel is the tightly knit Orthodox Jewish community of Memphis, Tenn., a social structure that unravels when an unconventional New York convert settles there with her five-year-old daughter. Guilt, passion, prejudice, loneliness and independence--common themes in Jewish literature--are explored with sensitivity in a gentle story that captures its milieu with tolerant understanding, and plucks the heartstrings.”

It is not necessary to have read the book to attend. For additional information, please call Rose Haberer, at 463-2772 or Kathy Busch, at 490-1608.



### Why eat dairy for Shavuot?

Some derive the practice directly from scripture, saying we eat dairy to symbolize the “land flowing with milk and honey” (Exodus 3:8) promised to the Israelites, or that “milk and honey are under your tongue” (Song of Songs 4:11).

A sage discovered that the initials of the four Hebrew words in Numbers 28:26, which describe the sacrificial meal offering on Shavuot, spell *mei halav* (from milk), suggesting that dairy food is the acceptable dinner for the festival. At Sinai, the Israelites were considered to be as innocent as newborns, whose food is milk.

Those of kabbalistic bent equate the numerical value of the word *halav*, 40 (‘het’=8, ‘lamed’=30, ‘vet’=2), with the number of days Moses spent on Mount Sinai receiving the Ten Commandments and other teachings (Exodus 24:18). Others look to the mountain itself, which is termed in Psalms mount of *gavnunim* (68:15), meaning many peaks. They connect that description with the Hebrew word *g’vinah*, meaning cheese.

Scholars who trace all Jewish customs and rituals to practices common among various ethnic groups claim that spring harvest festivals characteristically featured dairy dishes, perhaps because cheese was produced during that season.

There is also support for the custom based on the spiritual development among the Israelites in the wake of Sinai. After the Torah was given, they were obligated to follow its laws, including those governing dietary practice. As they returned to the camp from Revelation, they could not eat the previously prepared meat, which had not been done according to the laws of *kashrut*. Since butchering and cooking fresh meat would take too long for the tired, hungry Israelites, they took the dairy food that was readily available. Symbolizing modesty, the dairy was also seen as appropriate for the occasion of receiving the Torah, which should always be approached with humility.



### Jewish Heritage Europe

Jewish Heritage Europe is an expanding web portal to a wide range of news, information and resources concerning Jewish monuments and heritage sites all over Europe. It is a project of the Rothschild Foundation (Hanadiv) Europe (RFHE) and builds on and expands a previous version of the site. To learn more about this important organization, visit [www.jewish-heritage-europe.eu](http://www.jewish-heritage-europe.eu)



## Letter from Jerusalem



### This country's emotional roller coaster:

Shortly after commemorating our redemption from slavery in Egypt, we are plunged into sadness reliving the recent horror of the Holocaust. Memorial assemblies and speeches took place throughout the land. I read, (but not sure of the number) that there are 75,000 Holocaust survivors in Israel. Some live alone near the poverty line, so there is much written about the necessity of our obligation to help these people.

A week later, we remember the Israel Defense Forces, many of whom paid the ultimate price to defend our country. Again, as in Yom HaShoah v'HaGevura the country stood at attention for two minutes as the sirens reminded us to pray and think of so many of our deceased comrades. As my neighborhood abuts Hertzl Boulevard, which features the Military Cemetery and Yad Ve Shem, the Holocaust Memorial Complex, traffic is blocked up some distance and drivers need to take circuitous routes.

Today, we are at the "simcha."

**From Daveed Shachar (Flanders), from Times of Israel staff, April 27'16**

After 40 years of speculation, a Technion physicist may have proved the groundbreaking 'Hawking Radiation' theory.

British physicist Stephen Hawking may finally win a Nobel Prize for his groundbreaking theory on black holes thanks to new research out of Israel's Technion

university. In 1974 Hawking hypothesized that black holes are slowly evaporating, challenging the conventional understanding that nothing could escape from the void of a black hole.

The theory, known as Hawking Radiation, suggests that subatomic light particles are sometimes ejected back out of a black hole, taking with them tiny amounts of energy, resulting in a gradual decrease in its mass over time until it evaporates completely. But more than 40 years later, no one had been able to prove Hawking's theory, mainly because light particles from black holes are too small to be detected from earth.

Enter Technion-Israel Institute of Technology Physics Professor Jeff Steinhauer. Last year, he and his team of researchers recreated the conditions of a black hole in a lab using sound waves in order to study how subatomic particles behave on its edge, known as an event horizon.

"This confirms Hawking's prediction regarding black hole thermodynamics," Steinhauer wrote in the introduction to his paper. According to the report, the research is currently undergoing peer review at a prominent journal where experts are checking Steinhauer's observations. If Steinhauer's observations are accepted by the scientific community, it would become the strongest evidence to date supporting Hawking Radiation. (Israeli Times)

Ironically, the Israeli bashing Hawking supports the academic boycott of Israel and in 2013 canceled his participation in a Jerusalem conference organized by then president Shimon Peres.

## Former Hoosiers visiting Israel

With Chaim and Alice Weissmann, I was privileged to enjoy a "freilach" event, celebrating the sixtieth anniversary of Mike and Sylvia Blain and Mike's eighty-eighth birthday. The party, held in a winery in a suburb, Alon Shvut, about 25 minutes outside of Jerusalem included four generations of the Blains' large family and several former Hoosiers, now settled here; Dorothy and Shimmy Friedman, Eddie and Yehudit Epstein, Harry Goldstein and his daughter, Lisa Kermeier, some former teachers at the Hasten Hebrew Academy and other friends.

Mike was the longtime Israel Bonds chair in Indiana and though he lived in Indy he was well known throughout the state. The Blains were good friends with Rabbi Engel and family; Mike was a guest at our community Yiddish evening describing in Yiddish and English his life in Europe before and during the Shoah. Sylvia was the administrator at the Hasten Hebrew Academy for twenty-six years, and I knew her in that capacity when Ronit attended the school. After enjoying the Pesach holiday with their large family here, the Blains have returned to Cleveland where they live near one of their sons.

As always, I share a few new words:"

"rollerim", (roller skates)  
"zug naalayim "(a pair of shoes)  
"zug" (a married couple)  
"misparim ee zugiim" (odd numbers):  
"miparim zugiim" (even numbers):  
"panorami" (a convertible car)

Shalom from Yerushalayim,

Tzirel (Cyrelle)

**GWENDOLYN AND ELLIOTT  
SLAMOVICH  
JOYFULLY INVITE  
FAMILY AND FRIENDS  
TO JOIN IN THE  
CELEBRATION  
AS THEIR SON,  
AARON DAVID  
IS CALLED TO THE TORAH  
AS A BAR MITZVAH ON  
SATURDAY, JUNE 4<sup>TH</sup>,  
10:00 IN THE MORNING  
AT CONGREGATION SONS  
OF ABRAHAM.**

**THE CEREMONY WILL BE  
FOLLOWED BY KIDDUSH.**

**PLEASE ALSO JOIN THE  
SLAMOVICH FAMILY FOR  
EREV SHABBAT SERVICES  
ON FRIDAY NIGHT,  
JUNE 3, 8:00,  
FOLLOWED BY AN ONEG.**